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Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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From the first week of
September through the
last week of May

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Heaven and earth
will pass away,
but my words
will not pass away.*

MARK 13:31

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

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Mission Statement

We, the parish community of St. Dominic, Houston, TX, a multi-cultured community, joined together by faith in Jesus Christ and the Roman Catholic Church, commit ourselves to help each other grow in the understanding of our faith, celebrate this faith in Liturgy and live it out by using the gifts of each person in the service of others, especially those in need, so that in the end, we may become truly a community of faith: truly the people of God and be of service to all!

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday -English 8:15 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - **English** 8:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.

Español 9:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 a.m. English

Wednesday 7:00 pm English

Liturgy of the Hours:

Morning Prayer: Sunday - Saturday 7:30 a.m.

Evening Prayer: Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

& Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Devotions: Rosary of the Virgin Mary:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Prayer Meeting: Spanish - Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Novena to the Sacred Heart:

During the Friday morning Holy Mass

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help:

After Wednesday Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Weekly Holy Hour:

Thursday 8:30 -9:30 a.m.

First Friday -9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Sacrament:

Wednesday 6:00 - 6:45 pm Saturday-5:00-5:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents & Sponsors please register one week in advance.

English Baptism Class: First Tuesday & Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

English Baptism Celebration:

Third Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

Clase Pre Bautismal:

Primer Martes y Jueves del mes a las 7:00 p.m.

Bautismos Español:

Segundo Sábado del mes al las 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Marriage – Quinceañera Celebrations

Call the Parish office 6 months in advance to schedule appointment with priest.

Sacrament of the anointing of the sick

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for communion to be brought to your home or to the hospital.

Parish Registration

If you are new to the parish, please register at the office.

Monday –Friday 8:30 a.m. –3:30 p.m.

Pre -Baptismal Registration

Must register in the parish office,

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am –3:30 pm a week prior to the class.

Bring child's birth certificate; required to register

Sponsors if married must be married by the Catholic Church and marriage certificate required.

If single they must be at least 16, and bring copy of their Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation

Parents and godparents must attend two pre-baptismal classes held 1st Tuesday & Thursday of the month at 7:00 - 9:30 pm.

Donation for class is \$75.00

Baptism celebration 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am

Child being baptized can not be older than 7 yrs. Old.

Children 7 years and older must be prepared through the parish Catechism Program. (Guidelines of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston)

Información Pre- Bautismal - Pase a la oficina parroquial Lunes –Viernes, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm una semana antes de la clase. Es requerido presentar la acta de nacimiento del niño/a quien van a bautizar.

Padrinos Si están casados

deben estar casados por la iglesia Católica es requerido presentar la acta de matrimonio.

Si son solteros, deben tener por lo menos 16 años y presentar su acta de Bautizo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación.

Papas y Padrinos tienen que asistir a dos pláticas pre-bautismales el primer martes y jueves del mes de 7:00-9:30 pm. **Donación** para la platica: \$75.00

Bautismos el segundo Sábado del mes a las 9:00 am

Niños sin bautizar no deben ser mayores de 7 años de edad.

Niños deben recibir catecismo en el programa de la parroquia. (Guías de Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston)

Presentación de Tres Años

Cuarto domingo del mes durante la misa de 1:00 p.m.

Pasa a la oficina y presente acta de bautismo para registrase

Sacrament of Marriage: Register at least 6 months in advance; drop by the office and fill out form and be ready to meet the pastor; Pick up wedding information check-list.

Quinceañera Celebrations: The family must be registered in the parish for a period of three (3) months prior to the date of the first preparation session. The candidate should register for her/his Quince Años ceremony on or before her/his 14th birthday. The candidate must have been baptized in the Roman Catholic Church and must have received First Eucharist prior to the time of the ceremony. If the honoree has not received the Sacrament of Communion, she/he should be enrolled to prepare to receive the sacrament before the Quince Años ceremony. The candidate must attend and complete preparation sessions with the coordinator and must join our parish youth program. Pick up Quinceañera information check-list.

Pray For The Sick

Bobbie Anderson
Georgia Malonson
Glice Ligason
Mervin Auzenne
Joe Lozoya
Eola Corbello
Lynn Doane
Erica Taylor
Doreen Whitmeer
Elma Revelo
Gretchen King
Laura Rucka
Noito Valdehueza

Vitaliana Nisnisan
Jonathan Bomar
Ron Kocab
Harold Desvignes
Rita Lacobie
Eva Owens
Concepcion Ligason
Kathleen Kittrick



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From The Pastor



Dear Friends in St. Dominic

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.



Sincerely yours in Christ
Rev. Roger Estorque

Queridos Amigos en San Dominic,

Este domingo es el segundo al último domingo de nuestro año litúrgico. A medida que nos acercamos al final del año eclesial, nuestro Evangelio nos invita a considerar las predicciones y enseñanzas de Jesús sobre el fin del mundo. En el contexto del Evangelio de Marcos, las palabras de Jesús sobre esto se dirigen a sus discípulos mientras los prepara para su pasión y muerte.

Antes de considerar las palabras de Jesús, es importante tener en cuenta la telón de fondo político contra el que muchos piensan el evangelio de Marcos fue escrito. La mayoría de los estudiosos coinciden en que Marcos escribió su Evangelio para los cristianos que viven en Roma o cerca de ella, unos 30 a 40 años después de la muerte de Jesús. Esta fue una época de agitación política en Roma. Algunos cristianos experimentaron la persecución de los romanos durante el reinado del emperador Nerón (alrededor de 64 dC). Los revolucionarios judíos se rebelaron contra los romanos, lo que llevó a la Los romanos destruyeron el templo en Jerusalén en el 70 d. C. En este momento de agitación política y persecución, muchos en la comunidad podría haberse preguntado si los tiempos finales predijeron por Jesús estaban, de hecho, bastante cerca.

El domingo pasado escuchamos la observación de Jesús sobre el contribuciones hechas al tesoro del templo y al ejemplo de ofrenda sacrificial que vio en la ofrenda de la viuda pobre. Si hubiéramos estado leyendo continuamente el Evangelio de Marcos, habríamos escuchado a Jesús predecir la destrucción de la El templo, su enseñanza sobre los costos del discipulado y las aflicciones que acompañarán los últimos tiempos. Finalmente, lo haríamos He escuchado a Jesús instruir a sus discípulos sobre la necesidad de Vigilancia para que no sean atrapados desprevenidos. Este último día de juicio.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús continúa esta enseñanza ofreciendo a sus discípulos señales que indican que la venida del Hijo del Hombre está cerca. Sus palabras e imágenes se basan en imágenes del Antiguo Testamento, especialmente en las imágenes que se encuentran en el Libro de Daniel. A continuación, Jesús ofrece la lección de la higuera, una parábola que enseña que si uno sabe cómo leer las señales, Puede prepararse para los últimos tiempos. Sin embargo, Jesús también enseña que nadie sabe cuándo llegará el fin del tiempo, excepto el Padre. En los versículos que siguen a esta lectura en el Evangelio de Marcos, Jesús continúa advirtiéndole a sus discípulos que estén de guardia para este fin de los tiempos.

Las palabras de Jesús no se pronuncian para asustar a sus discípulos, ni deberían asustarnos a nosotros. Más bien, se ofrecen para prepararnos para los cambios que experimentaremos durante nuestras vidas y en los tiempos finales. Nuestro consuelo y esperanza se encuentran en la naturaleza duradera de las palabras de Jesús y de la voluntad de Dios. Amor interminable para nosotros.

¡Atentamente suyo en Cristo
Rev. Roger Estorque



Mass Intentions

Saturday	November 17th St. Elizabeth of Hungary
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
6:00 pm	† All Souls/Difuntos
Sunday	November 18th
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
9:30 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
11:15 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
1:00 pm	† All Souls/Difuntos
Monday	November 19th
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
Tuesday	November 20th
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
Wednesday	November 21st
7:00 pm	† All Souls/Difuntos
Thursday	November 22nd St. Cecilia
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
7:00 pm	Asamblea de Oración
Friday	November 23rd
	<i>St. Clement I; St. Columban</i>
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos
Saturday	November 24th St. Andrew Dung
8:00 am	† All Souls/Difuntos



LA GLORIOSA BIBLIA
Una de las glorias de la Biblia es que puede incluir
varios significados en un solo pasaje.

Yearly Budget	OFRENDA	Weekly Budget
\$332,500.00		\$6,694.23
11/11/2018	1st	2nd
6:00 pm	\$1,091.53	\$ 137.00
8:00 am	\$1,267.00	\$ 228.00
9:30 am	\$1,324.15	\$ 447.71
11:15 am	\$1,172.35	\$ 569.00
1:00 pm	\$ 1,128.55	\$ 263.87
Total	\$5,983.58	\$1,645.58

2018 - GOAL \$34,000.00

Paid:	\$29,742.87
Pledged:	\$34,472.00
Participants:	215
Paid Under:	(\$ 4,257.13)
Pledge Over:	\$ 472.00



Monday	November 19th
	HAVE A GREAT DAY-BUEN DÍA
Tuesday	November 20th
5:30 pm	Coro Voces de Jubilo/Mr. Puente
5:30 pm	Legion de Maria-Spanish
6:45 pm	NO-RCIC, RCIT /Niños y Jóvenes de RICA
7:00 pm	NO- RCIA
6:50 pm	Nueva Vida
Wednesday	November 21st
6:45 pm	NO- Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation
7:00 pm	NO-Formación de Asamblea
Thursday	November 22nd Happy Thanksgiving
	OFFICE CLOSED-OFICINA CERRADA
5:30 pm	NO- Legion of Mary-English
7:00 pm	NO- Youth Group
Friday	November 23rd
	OFFICE CLOSED-OFICINA CERRADA
5:45 pm	NO - 1st Communion English & Spanish
5:45 pm	NO - Formación de Padres de Doctrina
	OEC Parent Formation
Saturday	November 24th
Sunday	November 25th
9:45 am	NO- OEC Pre-K –8th English
11:30 am	NO- Doctrina Pre-k-8 Español

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6;
November 19th	Gospel: Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5;
November 20th	Gospel: Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6;
November 21st	Gospel: Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
November 22nd	Gospel: Lk 19:41-44
	Thanksgiving Day--Suggested:
	Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Gospel: Lk 17:11-19
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;
November 23rd	Gospel: Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
November 24th	Gospel: Lk 20:27-40
Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8;
November 25th	Gospel: Jn 18:33b-37



Eucharistic ADORATION 1st Friday

Holy Hour for Vocations:

on Thursdays: 8:30 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.

Next Full Day Adoration : December 7, 2018

8:30am-9:00 p.m. **Jesus asks us, "Can you not spend an hour with me?"** For further information, call Mrs. Gloria Casey @ 713-453-4968

ST. DOMINIC

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or a loved one are hospitalized and would like to be added to the prayer list, have a visit, homebound, and receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing. Call the Parish office - 281-458-2910

INTENCIONES DE MISAS

Favor de pasar al la oficina por lo menos un semana antes de fecha de intención. No le de su intención a ultima hora al lector. El nombre de intención debe aparecer en el boletín. El boletín es enviado a impreza en lunes para edición del próximo domingo. La donación mínima por intención son \$5.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Please come by the office at least a week prior to date that you want intention mentioned. Please do not give name to lector last minute before intentions are mentioned. Names will appear in the bulletin. Bulletin is sent to press on
Monday of the week
before Sunday edition.
Minimum Donation per intention of \$5.00

LA ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN

Se reúne cada Jueves a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia. Venga a las alabanzas y charlas de diferentes predicadores



SALONES

El Salón Centro de vida parroquial ya esta listo para alquilar para Bodas, Quinceañeras, Bautizos, Aniversarios, etc. Tenemos tres (3) salones; el grande tiene capacidad para 350 personas e los salones chicos, para 100 y 75 personas. Para mas información por favor, llamar a la oficina parroquial.

Hall Rental

The Parish Life Center is ready to rent for Weddings, Quinceañeras, Baptisms, Anniversaries, etc. We have three (3) halls; Parish Life Center has capacity for 350 people and small halls, for 100 and 75 people. For more information, please call the parish office

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS Leaders & Time

Altar Servers: Mercedes Flores -**Spanish**

Clem & Cecile Monta **English** 3rd Saturday 9:00 am.

E. M. of Holy Communion:- Mary LeBlanc -English

E. M. de Eucaristia: Uriel & Lucila Duran

Lectors English: Gale Lamanilao

Lectores Spanish: Rogelio Mendez

Liturgy English Music: Melner Calvo, Sundays 5 :00 pm

Liturgia Musica Espanol: Valentin Cobos, Jesus Puente, Elias Tello

Ushers/Greeters English: Parish Youth Group

Acomodadores Español: Salvador Guzman, Clementina Magallon

Offertory Collection Counters: Gloria Casey

Parish Pastoral Council- Juan Hernandez, 1st. Monday 6:00 pm

Parish Finance Council: Hector Hernandez quarterly & as necessary

Baptismal classes- English Melner Calvo, Alex Bozon, Clem Monta

Clases Pre -Bautismales Español Edith & Victor Leon, Hugo & Imelda Duron

Catholic Daughters: Mary Edmond 3rd Tuesday 6:30 pm

Family Ministry-Melner Calvo

Knights of Columbus: Robert Baccigalopi, 1st. Sunday 9: 30 am

Legion of Mary- Esmeralda Ramirez, Saturday 9:00 a.m. English

Legion de Maria -Angelita Gonzalez, Martes 7:00 p.m. Español

Facilities Maintenance: Daron Monteilh & Raymond Helfrich

Asamblea De Oración, Jesus & Ma. Dolores Velasquez Jueves 7:00 pm

MFCC St. Dominic: Gerardo y Esmeralda Marroquin

Hispanic Ministry Coordinator: Salvador Manzo

Parish Youth Ministry: Thursday 7:00 pm Rosana Gonzales,

Elda Briggs, Arlett Hernandez

Clase Pre-Nupcial : Jose y Silvia Cervantes

Pre-Nuptial Class: English Melner Calvo, Clem Monta, Alex Bozon

Nullity Sponsors: Clem Monta & Alex Bozon

Virtus Facilitator Español: Salvador Manzo

Virtus Facilitator English: Rosana Gonzales

Vocation: Denise Manzo

Evangelization: Salvador Manzo

Pro-Life Gabriel: Rosana Gonzalez

Parents Faith Formation:

Rogelio Mendez-Spanish - Jocelyn Vera-English

Disaster Coordinator: Salvador Manzo, Raymond Helfrich, Juan Hernandez, Elda Briggs, Francisca Fortuno, Rosana Gonzalez



MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND

50th anniversary of the establishment of
St. Dominic Parish
on January 19-20, 2019!

Theme:

Celebrating 50 years of God's faithfulness,
love and generosity, yesterday,
today and tomorrow!



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever
(Daniel 12:1-3). **Psalm** -- You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

Second Reading -- Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin
(Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

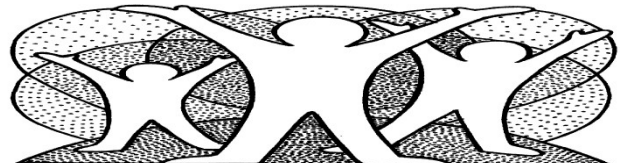
Gospel -- Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- En aquel tiempo se levantará el guardián de tu pueblo. Entonces serán salvados cada uno de los que estén inscritos en el libro.
(Daniel 12:1-3). **Salmo** -- Protégeme, Dios mío, que me refugio en ti (Salmo 16 [15]).

Segunda lectura -- Ahora, el que ofreció un único sacrificio por los pecados y está sentado a la derecha de Dios, espera que sus enemigos sean colocados como tarima de sus pies
(Hebreos 10:11-14, 18).

Evangelio -- Nadie sabe cuándo será el día ni la hora (Marcos 13:24-32).



CONFIRMATION YOUTH NEWS

November 28-December 12th Christmas Baskets

All gifts are due December 12th.

December 9-12 Tamale Fundraiser

December 14 Christmas Basket distribution

December 15 Christmas Basket distribution

Christmas Holiday
December 19-January 9

January 12, 2019
Candidate Sponsor Retreat
2:00 pm-7:00 pm
Retiro de Candidatos y Padrinos

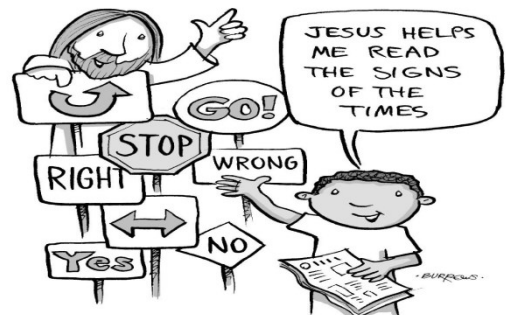
Our Casino Night fundraiser last Friday raised a whopping \$ 2,105 !! Many thanks to all who supported and congratulations to all our door prize winners. A special word of thanks to Sir Knight Raymond Helfrich, to his wife Mary & their staff.... the Knights of Columbus & to Irma Galvan, our Office Manager and our staff who sponsored and hosted the event.... A great night was had by everyone! We are very grateful for the support & commitment of our community! Our community fundraiser, Casino Night, was very successful! Thank you to all of our donors, sponsors, volunteers, and participants. Your generosity is appreciated beyond measure.

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Jesus said to his disciples:
"In the same way, when you see these things happening,
know that he is near, at the gates."
Mk 13:29

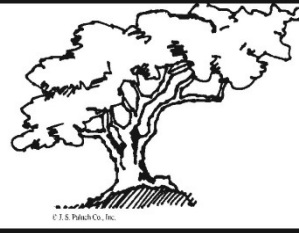


Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018

Heaven and earth will pass away, but
my words will not pass away.

— Mark 13:31

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Trigésimo Tercer Domingo
del Tiempo Ordinario
18 de noviembre de 2018

Podrán dejar de existir el cielo y la tierra,
pero mis palabras no dejarán de cumplirse.

— Marcos 13:31

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ENCOURAGEMENT

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for prayer. Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the "dwelling place of the Holy Spirit," and has a destiny of life with God in glory. The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans, who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one's "birthday to life," the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not so much because the church made the ground holy, but because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a subtle but beautiful difference.

ALIENTO

El Evangelio de este domingo es nuestra selección final de Marcos para este año litúrgico. Pertenece a las últimas enseñanzas de Jesús en Jerusalén y se encuentra inmediatamente antes del relato de su arresto y pasión. En este, Jesús da a sus discípulos esperanza para sostenerlos en su pasión y muerte y en cualquier persecución o sufrimiento que enfrenten después de su resurrección.

Las palabras del libro de Daniel también les brindan esperanza y aliento a los contemporáneos de Daniel. El aliento de estas lecturas también nos sirve a nosotros, ya que ninguno de nosotros puede evitar transitar tiempos difíciles en su vida. Los seguidores de Jesús podrán soportar el sufrimiento con esperanza porque saben que el amor de Cristo nos guiará para poder ser buenos discípulos y nos dará la vida eterna junto a Dios.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El 19 de noviembre del 1969 (Día del Descubrimiento de Puerto Rico), el Papa Pablo VI declaró a Nuestra Señora Madre de la Divina Providencia, como patrona de la Isla del Encanto. Este acto fue el culmen de un largo proceso devocional hacia la Madre de la Divina Providencia empezado por el obispo Catalán Gil Esteve y Tomás quien trajo la primera imagen de la Virgen a la isla Boricua.

La imagen actual es de María sentada con su Hijo (la Divina Providencia) dormido sobre su regazo. Ella sostiene la manita izquierda del niño en sus manos mientras lo mira cariñosamente. La imagen inspira ternura y muestra la confianza de María en la Divina Providencia de su Hijo, que aunque este dormido, no se descuida de ella ni de los fieles.

Esta imagen recuerda el pasaje bíblico en el cual Jesús dormía en la barca de Pedro, despertando a tiempo para calmar los mares y los vientos que la amenazaban. He aquí que la devoción a la Madre de la Divina Providencia es confiar que Dios siempre llega a nuestro amparo cuando lo invocamos.

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